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Ka-Boom!

In a matter of seconds, a part of history for Council Bluffs/Omaha area motorists came tumbling down on February 23 when the west section of the 74-year-old two-lane Veterans Memorial Bridge, also known as the South Omaha Bridge, was imploded to make room for continued work on a new four-lane bridge, under construction, to the north. View NDOR videos at www.roads.nebraska.gov/projects/s-omaha-vet-mem/index.htm.

The truss portion of the bridge over the Missouri River on the Nebraska side was imploded. Later, on March 14, the bridge span over the river on the Iowa side was imploded, and on March 18, the section on the Nebraska levy side was imploded. The remaining portion of the bridge on the Iowa levy side is being taken down by hand.

The old bridge featured two 11-foot-wide lanes. The new four-lane structure will have 12-foot-wide lanes, with a median to separate the east- and westbound lanes, plus a path for pedestrians and bikers.

Work is currently being done on the truss deck on the Nebraska side. Construction of the new bridge is scheduled to be completed by June 1. ♦

**Drive Smart in
Work Zones.**



**Fines double for speeding in highway
work zones when workers are present.**

Antelope Valley Project Wins Bridge Award

Hawkins Construction Company of Omaha, Nebraska, prime contractor for the Antelope Valley East Leg Roadway and Bridge Project, was the recipient of the 2008-2009 NDOR/AGC Bridge Award. The East Leg bridge is one of ten Antelope Valley bridge structures that have been constructed to date between 14th Street and Military Road and Capital Parkway and J Street, in Lincoln.

Ernest Murillo, was the NDOR District 1 Project Manager. Mike Rinne, Bridge Construction Superintendent, and Keith Peyton, Roadway Construction Superintendent, both of Hawkins Construction, accepted the award during ceremonies at the 2010 Project Managers' Conference held March 23-25 in Kearney.

According to Kris Humphrey, Antelope Valley Project Manager, with the Joint Antelope Valley Authority (JAVA - an interlocal agency of City of Lincoln, the Lower Platte South Natural Resources District, and the University of Nebraska), who submitted the nomination form, Hawkins did an excellent job of managing this 1,090-foot-long structure during its two-year

construction life. The \$24.6 million project was successfully completed and opened to traffic on November 6, 2009.

This structure/roadway is a completely new roadway over the BNSF Railway and Antelope Creek. The appearance and rideability of the structure is excellent. The substructure piers/columns were formed using a plywood form liner to enhance the multi-faceted architectural design and provide a smooth finished project.

The superstructure has a welded plate girder with a composite concrete deck. The street alignment at the ends of the bridge is parallel with the BNSF Railway corridor (four lines) thus a curvilinear alignment of the superstructure was required. The superstructure required nearly 3,000 tons of structural steel, including a 220 ton straddle beam to span over the BNSF Railway corridor (four line) to two large pier columns, one each side of the corridor. Due to the complexity of the curved girder structure, a detailed erection plan, including temporary shoring towers and specific placement sequence of girders, was required of the contractor

and approved by the engineer. The contractor also utilized a custom designed and fabricated lifting device for the straddle beam.

The deck consisted of 3,534 cubic yards of concrete, which had to be placed in a specific sequence so as to not overstress the girders. The bridge has 1.5 lane miles of deck.

Coordination between Hawkins Construction, the subcontractors, the JAVA partners, the construction management and design engineers, NDOR, City of Lincoln, UNL, State Fair Park and BNSF was very well organized with good communication by all parties. Hawkins coordinated their work as well as their subcontractors to stay on or ahead of schedule. The completed structure was opened approximately nine months ahead of schedule.

Perhaps the most challenging aspect of this project was the need to erect the majority of this complex geometric, structural steel superstructure, with extremely heavy sections, over a major transcontinental rail corridor. Hawkins worked very well with the BNSF to schedule work windows for the straddle beam and

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Photo by Jay Bailey, NDOR

l to r: Ernest Murillo, District 1 Project Manager for the Antelope Valley East Leg Roadway and Bridge Project; Claude Oie, NDOR Construction Engineer; Katie Wilson, President, Nebraska AGC; Mike Rinne, Bridge Construction Superintendent, and Keith Peyton, Roadway Construction Superintendent, Hawkins Construction Company.

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girder erection, which led to the erection completion within the BNSF Railway corridor before September 30th, as BNSF would not allow work windows during the fourth quarter. On a typical project, the work window coordination is completed within a matter of days, but due to the size and complexity of this structure, this scheduling was over a period of four months.

Throughout the project, timely construction and maintenance of erosion control measures were needed in this area adjacent to Antelope Creek. Jointly, JAVA and the contractor followed the erosion control plan and numerous environmental permits to stay in compliance with agencies' policies.

The AGC/NDOR Bridge Construction Award recognizes quality bridge construction in Nebraska. Categories that were considered included: quality of workmanship, project management, innovation in construction or use of material, contribution to traveling public/community, environmentally sensitive, rising to the challenge – difficult job or situation, and safety. ♦

Hooker Brothers Honored with “Top Clod” Award

The “Top Clod” Grading Award went to Hooker Brothers Construction Company, Grand Island, Nebraska, for their work on the Ord to Burwell project. Others recognized included Julie Budnick, Project Manager for prime contractor Werner Construction Co., Hastings, Nebraska; NDOR District 4 Construction Engineer Keith Meyer; and Project Manager Gerald Woodgate. Certificates of Merit were presented to NDOR employees Peggy Jackson, Inspector and Bob Rice, Surveyor/Staking.

The 12¼ mile project included realignment of two roadway sections with detour time allowances, realignment of five county roads, realignment of two channels, and five temporary roads (shoo-flies). Approximately 440,000 cubic yards of earth were moved.

The project was built under traffic. Multiple moves were required on and off the project due to phasing. Also, plan revisions changed haul distances which required readjusting the balance points.

According to award nominator Jerry Woodgate, District 4 Project Manager at St. Paul, Hooker Brothers was always willing to adjust their schedule to accommodate other contractors. They took pride in their work; all details, no matter how small were important to them. Hooker Brothers attitude was “what can we do to get the project done and get it done right.” Open communication, good planning, innovation and attention to safety were demonstrated throughout the project.

The “Top Clod” Grading Award is presented by the AGC/NDOR Joint Grading Committee to recognize a Grading Contractor demonstrating a high standard of accuracy and attention in the areas of cooperation, innovation, prosecution and quality of work and safety. ♦

Pictured, l to r: Julie Budnick, Werner Construction, prime contractor; Troy Behnk, Hooker Brothers, grading subcontractor; Gordon Wales, Hooker Brothers, grading subcontractor; Katie Wilson, President, Nebraska AGC; Claude Oie, NDOR Construction Engineer; and Jerry Woodgate, District 4 Project Manager at St. Paul.



“Top Clod” Award

Photo by Jay Bailey, NDOR

Signature Award Goes to Dan Cramer

Dan Cramer, President/Chief Operating Officer of Cramer and Associates, Inc., Des Moines, Iowa, received the 2010 Signature Award for excellent work on Nebraska Department of Roads projects. He was honored at ceremonies during the 2010 Project Managers' Conference March 23-25 in Kearney.

In the past few years, Cramer and Associates, Inc. have repaired three truss bridges in NDOR's District 3, two of which have been emergency repairs. They were also the prime contractor for the new viaduct in Columbus.

Pat Boyle, NDOR District 3 Construction Engineer, noted in his nomination, "Dan got bids for the emergency repairs and sent them in the day after they were requested. His bid prices were comparable to the Average Unit Price (AUP) for similar items. When we accepted his bids, his crews were ready to go to work immediately, which was critical to restoring traffic."

"When working on the emergency repairs of the Highway 116 bridge

west of Concord, we discovered a major problem that had to be dealt with before the planned repair could proceed. Dan was quick to propose a way to deal with this problem and the bridge was opened almost on schedule despite the extra work."

Another emergency repair required the closure of the Meridian Bridge on U.S. Highway 81 at Yankton, which left truck traffic with a 60-mile detour and passenger vehicles with a 12-mile detour over the dam. Again, Cramer and his company moved onto the project and completed the repair work quickly so traffic could be restored.

Yet another example was Cramer's excellent job managing the construction of the Columbus viaduct on U.S. Highway 81/30, 33rd Avenue. He coordinated the work of his crews and subcontractors with the railroad throughout the construction. He also helped communicate with the City of Columbus and the media.

Boyle noted, "Dan and his crew were also the first ones to notice any issues with the plans and bring them

to our attention so we could deal with them before they caused any delays. The viaduct was completed early, which eliminated possible long detours for highway traffic and severe traffic congestion within Columbus."

"Through all these projects, Dan's spirit of cooperation, professionalism, and willingness to go the extra mile has made him a partner that we look forward to working with again."

The Signature Award is given by NDOR District Construction Engineers to individuals in the contracting industry possessing certain characteristics, including excellence in leadership, good communication, problem solving, organization, attitude, safety, and achieving above and beyond standard management practices. In addition to receiving a trophy, plaque and having their names added to a permanent plaque at the NDOR Central Headquarters, a \$500 scholarship is given in the recipient's name to a University of Nebraska student majoring in construction engineering or construction management. ♦

Pictured, l to r: Keith Meyer, District 4 Construction Engineer; Dan Cramer, Cramer & Associates, Inc., recipient of the 2010 Signature Award; and Pat Boyle, District 3 Construction Engineer.



Photo by Jay Bailey, NDOR

Yankton Bridge Project Wins Environmental Award

The Yankton Bridge project, located on Highway 81, in District 3, was the recipient of the fourth annual Environmental Award, given by the NDOR/AGC Joint Committee of Seeding and Erosion Control.

The award presentation occurred during ceremonies at the 2010 Project Managers' Conference held March 23-25 in Kearney. Plaques were presented to the prime contractor, Jensen Construction Company and to Tri-State Seeding, A&R Construction Company, Commercial Contractors Equipment, Hartington Tree Service and Plumbing and Electric Service, who were subcontractors responsible for various aspects of environmental compliance.

Pat Boyle, District 3 Construction Engineer, and Bob Wiebelhaus, District 3 Project Manager, also accepted plaques. Certificates were

given to District 3 Engineer Kris Winter, Pat Boyle, Scott Brummond, Quinn Damgaard of HDR, and NDOR inspectors Mark Droppers, Dale Lange, Brett Mainquist, Matt Samuelson, Keith Stoural and Steve Ulmer.

According to Ron Poe, NDOR Highway Environmental Program Manager, "This award is a credit to the level of effort and emphasis that Bob Wiebelhaus, Scott Brummond, District 3 and the staff of Jensen Construction have placed on environmental commitments on the Yankton Bridge project. Seeing this project built as quickly as it was, while maintaining compliance with all the environmental commitments on this project is a testament to the importance District 3 has placed on environmental issues."

The Environmental Award for Stormwater/Erosion Control is awarded annually to the project whose project manager and contractor

have worked together to develop a means of protecting the project site from erosive conditions. Projects were rated on several items, including: the use of a Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan during construction; updated temporary Erosion Control Plan; completeness of inspection reports; maintain good housekeeping on the site; appropriate use of erosion control techniques; use of new or innovative erosion control techniques; erosion and sediment control maintenance; project phasing; site re-vegetation; and the education of staff and subcontractors on environmental issues. ♦

Shown, l to r: Pat Boyle, District 3 Construction Engineer; Bob Wiebelhaus, District 3 Project Manager in Hartington; Scott Brummond, District 3 Environmental Coordinator in Wayne; Katie Wilson, President, Nebraska AGC; and NDOR Construction Engineer Claude Oie.



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Public Service Award Goes to Three NDOR Employees

By Linda Wilson
Communication Division

Three NDOR employees received special recognition from the Nebraska State Patrol (NSP) for their bravery and courageous acts, assisting with saving three lives on January 7. Their actions occurred during a severe winter storm with blizzard conditions, temperatures well below zero, and wind chills from 18 to 27 degrees below zero.

Nebraska State Patrol Colonel Bryan Tuma presented the NSP's Public Service Award to John Peterson and Judy Neeman, Highway Maintenance Workers Sr., and to Robert Rice, Highway Maintenance Supervisor, on March 22 in the Highway Commission Meeting Room at the Department of Roads' Central Office in Lincoln. All three are employees at NDOR's Nebraska City office in District 1. Colonel Tuma thanked the three for their selfless

acts, noting their concern and compassion served as a testament to their integrity and they have earned everyone's respect and admiration.

NDOR Director Monty Fredrickson also thanked the Roads employees for their quick thinking and courageous acts. District 1 Engineer Rich Ruby said he appreciated how well they reacted to the call, as their efforts saved three lives. District 1 Operations & Maintenance Manager Roger Kalkwarf noted that these employees made the extra effort to

come out after a long, challenging day's work, through a winter snowstorm, which was very much appreciated.

The heroic actions were preceded by a phone call received by the NSP Communications Dispatch Center from a concerned mother-in-law advising that she had received a telephone call from her son-in-law stating he had been stranded in his car for more than two hours in the winter storm, along Highway 34. The son-in-law advised that another female motorist was also stranded on the highway and had been in her vehicle for more than three hours. Sharing one car together, the fuel was beginning to run low and both individuals were complaining of being very tired. They kept the car windows slightly opened to allow fresh air to flow through; however, both individuals were suffering from hypothermia and frostbite.

Contact was made to Cass County Sheriff's Office personnel for assistance; however, due to the severe blowing and drifting snow, they were unable

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Pictured clockwise - NDOR Director Monty Fredrickson and NSP Colonel Bryan Tuma presented Public Service Awards to Robert Rice, John Peterson and Judy Neeman for their courageous actions during a severe winter storm on January 7. They work at NDOR's Nebraska City office in District 1.

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to get to the stranded vehicles. Not willing to give up, Nebraska State Patrol Communications Supervisor Rebecca Bliven contacted NDOR requesting the assistance of a snowplow and a truck equipped with a snow blower.

Meanwhile, Nebraska State Patrol Sergeant Kurt Von Minden and Trooper Shane Flynn were briefed on the situation and Sergeant Von Minden requested assistance from Trooper Trinity Jones, Troop A, Omaha, to drive to the town of Union, approximately 10 miles west of Highway 34, where the vehicles were reportedly stranded. Sergeant Von Minden and Trooper Flynn met up with Trooper Jones and the NDOR personnel driving the snowplow and snow blower. While in route, a third stranded motorist was also discovered.

While continuing to keep contact by telephone with the stranded individuals, Bliven was advised by the male motorist that the female motorist's hands were beginning to blister from the cold, and she was shaking uncontrollably. In addition, Bliven could tell that the male motorist was becoming more incoherent as time wore on.

After nearly four hours, the stranded motorists were located and transferred into Sergeant Von Minden's vehicle. They were transported following the NDOR equipment, which paved the way keeping the road open from blowing and drifting snow, to waiting emergency medical responders. From there they were taken to a local hospital for treatment. The third stranded motorist was able to follow the caravan of vehicles out of the area and make it to safety.

The NSP bestowed this special recognition to each NDOR employee for their assistance as supervisor, snow blower driver and snowplow driver in rescuing these individuals. NSP Colonel Tuma also thanked NDOR Roads Director Monty Fredrickson and Deputy Director Jake Jacobsen for their efforts to make Nebraska's roads safer. ♦

Dan Ziska Named Project Manager of the Year

Dan Ziska, of O'Neill, was honored by the Nebraska Chapter Associated General Contractors of America (AGC) as Nebraska Department of Roads' Project Manager of the Year. Ziska received a traveling trophy and a plaque at the Project Managers' Conference in Kearney on March 24.

Ziska has worked at NDOR for the past 30 years and has been a project manager at the District 8 O'Neill office for over 12 years. He began his career in O'Neill as an Engineer Aid in 1980 and worked his way up through the Engineer Associate and Construction Technician ranks to become Highway Project Manager in 1998. Dan also works with the Nebraska Chapter of the American Concrete Institute as a trainer for the ACI Level 1 and 2 courses.

Recent projects managed by Ziska include "In O'Neill," an urban concrete paving project on Highway 20, and "Chambers Junction North," a rural resurfacing and widening project to add surfaced shoulders on Highway 281. The project completed the addition of surfaced shoulders

to the Priority Commercial System in District 8.

NDOR District 8 Engineer Mark Kovar noted, "Dan enjoys the challenges that come with highway work, and the satisfaction that comes from working with others to improve the highways for the citizens of Nebraska."

The award is presented annually by the AGC to a NDOR project manager who has upheld the standards of conducting business within the highway construction industry with the highest level of ethics and integrity. The trophy is called the Lyle Leader Memorial Award in tribute to Mr. Leader, who was a project manager at NDOR for 34 years. He was active in the District 3 Hartington office at the time of his death in August 1991 and was highly respected by his peers within the department and by the contractor members of AGC.

All contractor members submitted a nomination for this award and the nominees were voted upon by the members of the AGC. For the year 2010, Ziska received the high honor. ♦



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Shown, l to r: Dan Ziska, 2010 Project Manager of the Year; Katie Wilson, President, Nebraska AGC; and Claude Oie, NDOR Construction Engineer.

I-80 Project Receives Teamwork in Work Zone Safety Award

A NDOR District 1 project, *I-80, 148th Street Bridge*, received the Teamwork in Work Zone Safety Award, given by the AGC/NDOR Traffic Control Committee at the 2010 Project Managers' Conference held March 23-25 in Kearney.

Plaques were presented to Commercial Construction, Inc., prime contractor, and to Trafcon, Inc., traffic control subcontractor. Bob Traudt, NDOR Project Manager at District 1 in Lincoln, also received recognition.

This portion of I-80 has an average daily traffic of over 39,000 vehicles per day. This project was located between other projects along the I-80 corridor that had different traffic control subcontractors. In addition, Trafcon

had multiple projects along I-80, including the six-lane reconstruction project between Exits 401 and 405, and many of the night-time closures for this project occurred at the same time as other projects. There were times when Trafcon had as many as six lane closures occurring at the same time on different projects. Nevertheless, Trafcon supplied enough staff to get all completed. This project experienced no work zone crashes.

Project Manager Bob Traudt noted, "Trafcon's superintendent was always on the project during crucial times coordinating lane closures and the full closure and opening of I-80. He never hesitated in going the extra mile with his crew to ensure the

safety of the traveling public. Trafcon was always on time with the installation and removal of traffic control devices and was always courteous to myself and inspectors, and was a pleasure to work with."

The award is "in recognition of excellence – through demonstrated cooperation and communication between all parties involved – in installing, coordinating and maintaining effective traffic control. The traffic control utilized and maintained on this project reflects the goals of both the Department of Roads and the Nebraska AGC – a work zone maintained in a safe condition for both workers and motorists alike." ♦



Pictured, l to r: Jason Muhle, Commercial Construction, Inc., prime contractor; Randy Morse, Trafcon, Inc., traffic control subcontractor; Katie Wilson, President, Nebraska AGC; and Claude Oie, NDOR Construction Engineer.

Photo by Jay Bailey, NDOR

Paving Awards Presented in Kearney

Project managers, construction technicians, and material and research technicians were honored with awards for both concrete and asphalt pavements at the annual Project Managers' Conference held March 23-25 in Kearney. The awards recognized their work on Nebraska highways during 2009.

The Nebraska Department of Roads sponsors the awards for excellence in asphaltic concrete pavement construction. Awards of excellence for highway construction projects using concrete pavement are sponsored by the Nebraska Department of Roads and the Nebraska Concrete Paving Association.

Concrete Pavement Quality Awards

The award for excellence in **Interstate and Expressway** concrete pavement was presented to Robert Sanburn of District 1 in Lincoln for his part as Project Manager for **I-80, I-180 to 56th Street, Lincoln**. This award was presented for 5.7 miles of six-lane interstate. Dobson Brothers Construction Co. was the contractor. Roadway Design Division's Interstate Design Squad, led by Brian Johnson, was the designer. Designer Certificates of Merit were presented to Roadway Design's Christian Davenport and Tim Otto. Owner Certificates of Merit were presented to Construction Technicians Tom Morehead, Ed Bannister, Gene Garza, Harvey Humphrey, Devin Townsend, Jeff Hohn, Dean Dowding, Dan Ore and Angela Burnett for their part in performing inspection activities.

Receiving the award for the **Municipal Streets** category was Project Manager Scott Griepenstroh of District 4 in Grand Island for **Grant St. to Greenwich St., Grand Island**, which was a 0.9-mile section of U.S. Highway 30 built by



Municipal Streets Award – Pictured, l to r: Ben Merchant, Construction Technician; Scott Griepenstroh, District 4 Project Manager at Grand Island; and Claude Oie, NDOR Construction Engineer.

Paulsen, Inc. Michael Olson, Kirkham Michael, accepted the Designer Plaque. John Baker, Roadway Design Division (now retired), was the NDOR Consultant Coordinator. Certificates of Merit were presented to Construction Technicians Ben Merchant, Jason Hall and Curtis Probasco for performing inspections on this project.

Project Manager Marty Weander of District 2 in Omaha, received the award in the **Concrete Pavement Rehabilitation** category for **Plattsmouth to Omaha**, – a rehabilitation project of a four-lane divided portion of Highway 75 completed by the prime contractor, Safety Grooving & Grinding L.P. This project included full and partial depth repairs to the existing concrete pavement, cross-stitching of longitudinal cracks and diamond grinding of driving lanes. Certificates of Merit were presented to Mohammed Assadi and Mark Strong for their part in performing inspection activities. NDOR's Materials & Research Pavement Design Section was responsible for the project design. Designer Certificates of Merit were presented to Linda (Zip) Masek, Matthew Bouwens, Tanner Bandiola, Tiffany Wells and Chanda Parker.

Pavement smoothness, quality control, innovation, complexity, appearance, management and safety of the project were considered in determining these concrete pavement awards.

Asphaltic Concrete Pavement Quality Awards

Five projects received awards for excellence in asphaltic concrete pavement. Nominated projects were judged by a panel who rated each project based on smoothness, quality control, complexity, innovation, general appearance, contractor management and safety.

The 2009 **Award of Merit for Full Depth Construction or Reclamation** went to Project Manager Bill Cary of the District 1 Tecumseh office for **US-136, Tecumseh East** on

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Interstate & Expressways Award – Pictured, l to r: Devin Townsend, Construction Technician; Bob Sanburn, District 1 Project Manager at Lincoln; and Claude Oie, NDOR Construction Engineer.

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U.S. Highway 136, constructed by Constructors, Inc. This 10.8-mile segment of two-lane roadway utilized a 12-inch Fly Ash Stabilized Bituminous strategy as a base that was covered with 3 inches of type SP4 asphaltic concrete. Certificates of Merit were presented to Construction Technicians Bill Jasa and Brian Bernadt for their part as inspectors on the project.

The 2009 Excellence in Asphalt Pavement Construction Award of Merit for Overlays of One Lift went to Project Manager Steve Trosper of District 3 in Columbus for N-91,

Leigh – Colfax/Dodge County Line, constructed by Knife River Midwest LLC. This 17-mile rural paving project on Nebraska Highway 91 consisted of a conventional dense-grade SP4 asphaltic concrete with a “rubberized” binder. The rubberized binder uses crumb rubber from tires in lieu of conventional petroleum-derived polymers that produce a superior performing asphaltic cement. Certificates of Merit were presented to Tom Hyland, Brant Egger, Chuck Nickolite, Troy Shotskoski, William Groteluschen and Gary Wittwer for their part in performing inspection activities.

The 2009 Excellence in Asphalt Pavement Construction Award of Merit for Overlays of Two or More Lifts – Urban Section, went to Project Manager Allen Vandegrift of District 1 in Fairbury for two projects built simultaneously in Beatrice by Constructors, Inc. These projects were **US-77, In Beatrice** and **US-77/US-136 North, Beatrice**. Collectively, these projects consisted of milling and inlaying 2 to 3 inches of SP4 from city limit to city limit along Highways 77 and 136 in Beatrice, Nebraska. Certificates of Merit were presented to Rich Lierman, Greg Novotny, Bob Hinrich, Bill Jasa, Brian Bernadt and Tim Houghton for their roles as inspectors.

The 2009 Excellence in Asphalt Pavement Construction Award of Merit for Overlays of Two or More Lifts – Rural Section, went to Project Manager Maryanne Jacobs of District 5 in Gering for **I-80, East Kimball to Potter**, constructed by Werner Construction, Inc. This 11.7-mile rural paving project along eastbound I-80 consisted of milling and inlaying 4 inches of SP5 from the driving lane and 2 inches from the passing lane. Certificates of Merit were presented to Martin Gillen, Brian Markheim, Jeff Hack and Timothy Vach for their roles as inspectors.

N-87, Alliance North (South Half) was recognized as the **smoothest project** submitted for review. Brian Carnahan of District 5 in Chadron received an Award of Merit for his role as Project Manager. Werner Construction, Inc. was recognized as the prime contractor and Certificates of Merit were presented to Merle Thorton and Karl Witt for inspection activities. ♦



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(Left)
Overlays of Two or More Lifts (Rural)
l to r: Maryanne Jacobs, District 5 Project Manager at Gering, and Claude Oie, NDOR Construction Engineer.

(Middle)
Overlays of Two or More Lifts (Urban)
l to r: Greg Novotny and Rich Lierman, Construction Technicians; Allen Vandegrift, District 1 Project Manager at Fairbury.



Overlays of One Lift Award – Pictured, l to r: Steve Trosper, District 3 Project Manager at Columbus; Claude Oie, NDOR Construction Engineer; and Tom Hyland, Construction Technician.



Smoothest Pavement Award – / to r: Brian Carnahan, District 5 Project Manager at Chadron, and Claude Oie, NDOR Construction Engineer.



Full Depth Reconstruction or Reclamation Award – / to r: Bill Cary, District 1 Project Manager at Tecumseh, and Bill Jasa, Construction Technician.



Concrete Pavement Rehabilitation Award – / to r: Marty Weander, District 2 Project Manager at Omaha, and Claude Oie, NDOR Construction Engineer.

Contributing to Vision 2032: Nebraska's Long Range Transportation Plan

What important transportation issues does Nebraska face today? Will they be the same in 20 years? These are questions included in the upcoming Long Range Transportation Plan survey, "The Voice of Nebraska, Contributing to Vision 2032."

Periodically, the Nebraska Department of Roads updates its 20-year transportation plan. Nebraska citizens, business, government leaders, Tribal government, and associations will be given an opportunity to express their opinions, in an online survey. All citizens are encouraged to respond. A sample of Nebraska businesses will receive a survey through the mail with an option to reply online. The purpose of the survey is to gather input to identify statewide, regional and local transportation issues facing Nebraska. The survey results will guide NDOR in developing goals and objectives for the Long Range Transportation Plan: Vision 2032. Results of the survey will be posted on the NDOR website in the summer of 2010, and will be included in presentations at public meetings.

As a member of the traveling public, business, government, or association leader, everyone's opinion is needed and all are encouraged to participate. To take the survey online, go to www.roads.nebraska.gov/lrtp/vision2032/. The survey goes live on April 26. Be sure to complete your survey by May 21, 2010, so your response can be included in the final results. The survey is completely anonymous and responses will only be reported in the aggregate. Survey respondents will have the option to submit their e-mail address if they would like updates on plan activities.

The survey should take approximately 10 minutes to complete and is open to all Nebraska's traveling public over the age of 14. For those who cannot participate via Internet access, NDOR will send a survey directly to a residence or business if a name and address is provided. Contact (402)479-4512 to request a survey. The Department of Roads encourages you to spread the word about this survey to friends and neighbors. The more who participate, a better understanding of transportation issues affecting your community, region and state may be achieved. ♦

Deer Fence Planned on I-80

Plans are underway to build the state's first deer fence along both sides of I-80 from the Mahoney State Park interchange east to the Pflug Road overpass in Sarpy County.

The 8-foot-tall fence—electrified on the east side of the Platte River—will replace the existing right-of-way fence and will follow the same general location.

This four-mile stretch of the interstate was part of the Lincoln to Omaha six-lane expansion project, which reconstructed the pavement and rebuilt the existing bridges. The fence was identified as a need during the planning phases of this project, according to Brian Johnson, an NDOR Roadway Design engineer who designed the deer fencing project.

During the I-80 expansion project, the bridges were hydraulically improved with larger openings, or “undercrossings” to lessen the impact of ice jams on the Platte River, but monitoring showed they were also used by deer. According to Johnson, the purpose of the deer fence is to redirect the deer to use these undercrossings.

Better Field of View

The undercrossings provide a better field of view for the deer. In addition, the bridges were slightly modified by removing the Riprap (large rocks) that would have been under the structure and replaced with interlocking pavement blocks, which improve wildlife access, while also limiting erosion from water off the bridge deck.

While the deer fence was originally planned to the east of the Platte River, to Ruff Road, approximately two miles east, after further examination, six years of deer-vehicle collision (DVC) rates were noted to be higher to the west between the Platte River and Mahoney Interchange. According to Johnson, between 1998 and 2003, the portion of I-80 near Mahoney State Park had 4.2 deer-vehicle collisions per mile, per year—the highest rate in



Photo by Brian Johnson, NDOR

Deer undercrossings along I-80 in Sarpy County provide a better field of view for deer. Interlocking pavement blocks improve access and limit erosion.

the state. I-80 just east of the Platte River Bridge had 2.4 hits per mile. NDOR determined that a deer fence would additionally be constructed to the west of the Platte River to cover the higher DVC location.

The deer fence project was done in consultation with the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission. Both agencies spent about five years studying the best way to keep deer from crossing the interstate at that location before making their decision.

Others involved in the deer fence project design include NDOR Highway Environmental Biologist Eric Zach and UNL's Wildlife Specialist, Scott Hyngstrom. Dave Braasch will conduct UNL's monitoring by engaging in the camera placement, weekly acquiring photos from the cameras and carcass data.

The fence will be electrified for three miles, only on the east side of the river, where deer like to eat in cornfields. A one-mile stretch along the west side of the river will have

only woven-wire fencing because of the proximity of Eugene T. Mahoney State Park, cabins and other tourist attractions.

The electrified portion will stop the deer from trying to knock down or dig under the fence. NDOR officials have research that supports the effectiveness of the fence they plan to install, known by the brand name Electrobraid. In a 2002 field test in Ohio, researchers reported that the fence was 99 percent effective in stopping deer that were trying to reach corn-feeding stations.

According to Johnson, the deer fence project will cost \$1.1 million in state and federal funds, 90 percent provided by the Federal Highway Administration and 10 percent from NDOR. The project will be completed in about a year and once the fence is finished, the project will be monitored for a year. A public information meeting was held on March 9, with many favorable comments received about the fence. ♦

Drivers, Workers Must Share Highway

With highway construction and maintenance season gearing up for summer operations, extra caution is needed on the part of both drivers and highway workers. This year, as many as 150 highway improvement projects are expected across Nebraska.

The Nebraska Department of Roads, along with their transportation safety partners, the Nebraska State Patrol and the Associated General Contractors of Nebraska, are dedicated to enhancing work-zone safety for both the worker and the traveling public. They believe that increased worker training and enhanced awareness on the part of motorists and highway workers can lead to reduction of fatalities and injuries.

Since 2004, when 14 fatalities occurred in work-zone crashes, the numbers have decreased. The number of fatalities in 2005 was 10, and in

2008, the total fatalities were at 5. 2009 annual data is not yet compiled.

Technology continues to play an important role in highway safety. There are 46 permanent changeable message signs at strategic locations throughout the state. With these signs, "real-time" information about congestion or incidents can be provided to alert motorists farther away to take an alternate route or plan accordingly.

Nebraska's statewide 511 telephone system is available to provide 24 hour a day, year-round traveler information. By dialing 511 on a cellular or landline telephone, motorists are able to access the quickest, most up-to-date information about weather conditions, reported road conditions and special travel advisories. The 511 system is also available on the Internet at www.511nebraska.org.

Highway traffic cameras provide

another tool for motorists in search of the latest traffic and road conditions. Currently, there are 46 snapshot cameras at various locations throughout the state that send pictures to the NDOR website for viewing.

Drivers and workers must share the highway in times of construction, repair or maintenance work. Motorists are reminded to stay alert when driving near highway work zones any time of day or night. Observe lower speed limits, heed all posted warning signs, wear seat belts and avoid distractions while driving, including the use of cell phones or texting devices.

Remember that highway work zones are more than a temporary inconvenience. Construction and maintenance work is essential to building safer, smoother, improved roads for a good life in Nebraska. ♦

NDOR Highway Improvement Projects Currently Under Contract

Information from Trans•port SiteManager as of March 29, 2010

Location Work Description Prime Contractor Project Manager Contract Bid Amount			
Key: Aggregate - Agg Bituminous - Bit Bridge - Br Building - Bldg Concrete Pavement - ConPav Culverts - Culv Electrical - Elec Grading - Gr Guardrail - Gdrl Landscaping - LS Mechanically Stabilized Earth - MSE Seeding - Seed Speciality - Spec	Blue River Br. South of Fairbury Br, Gdrl The Diamond Engineering Co. Vandegrift, Allen (402)729-3489 \$485,666.81	North Jct. N-99 East Bit Constructors, Inc. Cary, Bill (402)335-4131 \$743,931.70	Greenwood - Mahoney Gr, ConPav, Culv, Seed, Br, Gdrl, Fence, Elec, Sign Hawkins Construction Co. England, Jim (402)471-0850 \$35,868,389.45
	Salem West Gr, Culv, Seed, Br, Gdrl, Bit U.S. Asphalt Co. Hitzeman, Don (402)335-4131 \$2,697,286.64	Pickrell - Cortland Bit Pavers Companies Cary, Bill (402)335-4131 \$2,392,258.25	Air Park - I-180, Lincoln (<i>Stimulus</i>) Br, Gdrl, Bit Pavers Companies Preble, Rodger (402)471-0850 \$1,989,950.28
	Nemaha South Bit Constructors, Inc. Hitzeman, Don (402)335-4131 \$1,308,999.92	Syracuse North (<i>Stimulus</i>) Gr, Seed, Br, Gdrl, Bit U.S. Asphalt Co. Habegger, Michael (402)335-4131 \$4,777,516.52	40th St. Bridge, Lincoln Gr, Culv, Br, Gdrl Hawkins Construction Co. Preble, Rodger (402)471-0850 \$1,459,657.76
	Falls City North Gr, ConPav, Culv, Br, Seed, Gdrl Herbst Construction, Inc. Hitzeman, Don (402)335-4131 \$5,151,082.71	Nebraska City North Spec Park Construction Co. Habegger, Michael (402)335-4131 \$199,658.50	Elmwood North & South Culv, Bit Constructors, Inc. Traudt, Bob (402)471-0850 \$678,574.13
District 1	US-77 - 9th St., Lincoln Gr, ConPav, Seed, Br, Gdrl TCW Construction, Inc. Knutson, Dewaine (402)471-0850 \$1,516,528.70	Nebraska City Scale Bldg. Scale Bldg Hampton Commercial Constr., Inc. Habegger, Michael (402)335-4131 \$246,596.00	US-34/148th St., East of Lincoln Gr, Culv, Elec, Bit Pavers Companies Traudt, Bob (402)471-0850 \$938,982.97
Superior St. Br., Lincoln (<i>Stimulus</i>) Br Cramer & Associates, Inc. Duensing, Larry (402) 441-8401 \$208,255.05	Waverly - Greenwood Gr, ConPav, Culv, Seed, Br, Gdrl, Fence, Elec, Sign Ames Construction, Inc. Knutson, Dewaine (402)471-0850 \$56,960,355.04	I-180 - 56th St., Lincoln Gr, ConPav, Culv, Seed, Br, Gdrl, Fence, Elec, Sign Dobson Bros. Constr. Co. & United Contractors Inc. (JV) Sanburn, Bob (402)471-0850 \$48,766,667.84	Saltillo Rd., US-77 - So. 70th St., Lincoln (<i>Stimulus</i>) Bit Pavers Companies Murillo, Ernest (402)471-0850 \$831,554.92
Fairbury South Bridges (<i>Stimulus</i>) Gr, ConPav, Br, Gdrl Hawkins Construction Co. Vandegrift, Allen (402)729-3489 \$2,879,777.92			

Holdrege St., 33rd-47th,
Lincoln (*Stimulus*)
Bit
Pavers Companies
Murillo, Ernest (402)471-0850
\$788,980.66

Endicott Northeast
Bit
Constructors, Inc.
Murillo, Ernest (402)471-0850
\$649,574.36

In Prague (*Stimulus*)
Gr, ConPav, Culv, Water Main
M.E. Collins Contracting Co., Inc.
Murillo, Ernest (402)471-0850
\$438,651.82

County Road, in Crab Orchard
Gr, ConPav, Br, Gdrl
Wilke Contracting Corp.
Murillo, Ernest (402)471-0850
\$743,219.69

Barneston South (*Stimulus*)
Gr, Br, Gdrl
Commercial Construction, Inc.
Murillo, Ernest (402)471-0850
\$659,082.20

"A" St. & Van Dorn St.,
Lincoln (*Stimulus*)
Bit
Constructors, Inc.
Murillo, Ernest (402)471-0850
\$567,687.30

Adams St., 57th - 62nd St.,
Lincoln (*Stimulus*)
Bit
Pavers Companies
Murillo, Ernest (402)471-0850
\$388,315.33

Sterling West (*Stimulus*)
Gr, Br, Gdrl
Commercial Construction, Inc.
Murillo, Ernest (402)471-0850
\$739,739.39

Central Ave., 11th - 6th St.,
Nebr. City (*Stimulus*)
Bit
Tab Holding Company, Inc.,
dba Tab Construction
Murillo, Ernest (402)471-0850
\$602,291.94

"P", "Y" & NW 1st St.,
Lincoln (*Stimulus*)
Bit
Pavers Companies
Murillo, Ernest (402)471-0850
\$796,995.66

Citywide, Lincoln (*Stimulus*)
ConPav
Pavers Companies
Murillo, Ernest (402)471-0850
\$965,939.97

70th St., Aylesworth to Vine St.,
Lincoln (*Stimulus*)
ConPav
Pavers Companies
Murillo, Ernest (402)471-0850
\$630,928.22

Holdrege St., 70th - 79th St.,
Lincoln (*Stimulus*)
ConPav
Pavers Companies
Murillo, Ernest (402)471-0850
\$681,672.58

"O" St., Lincoln (*Stimulus*)
Culv, Elec, Bit
Constructors, Inc.
Murillo, Ernest (402)471-0850
\$1,339,795.68

Waverly Southeast (*Stimulus*)
Culv
Dobson Bros. Constr. Co.
& Affiliates
Murillo, Ernest (402)471-0850
\$269,551.70

I-80, Goehner Truck Parking
Gr, ConPav, Culv, Seed, Fence, Elec
Constructors, Inc.
Hobelman, Ryan (402)471-0850
\$605,573.94

84th St. Bridge, Lincoln
Gr, Culv, Br, Gdrl
A.M. Cohron & Son, Inc.
Hobelman, Ryan (402)471-0850
\$1,629,490.93

Jct. US-77/N-109
Gr, ConPav, Culv, Seed, Elec
Constructors, Inc.
Townsend, Devin (402)471-0850
\$2,818,151.82

84th St. - N-43
Spec
Sealcoat Services, Inc.
dba SCS Construction Co.
Townsend, Devin (402)471-0850
\$367,552.15

56th St. - 84th St., Lincoln
Spec
Park Construction Co.
Townsend, Devin (402)471-0850
\$102,486.60

East Jct. N-92 North
Gdrl, Bit
Constructors, Inc.
Kuehn, Joseph (402)471-0850
\$2,574,601.70

134th St. Bridge, Lincoln
Gr, MSE, Culv, Br, Gdrl
Hawkins Construction Co.
Kuehn, Joseph (402)471-0850
\$1,762,277.47

148th St./N-2, Lincoln
Gr, ConPav, Culv, Seed, Elec
Hawkins Construction Co.
Volz, Jason (402)471-0850
\$1,825,583.23

District 2

132nd St., Patrick - Birch,
Omaha (*Stimulus*)
Gr, ConPav, Culv, Gdrl, Fence, Elec
L.G. Roloff Construction Co., Inc.
& Affiliate
Glow, Tom (402)444-5279
\$2,273,540.00

Fremont Main St. Historic Lighting-
Phase 2 (*Stimulus*)
Elec
Watts Electric Company
Veverka, Frank (402)727-3292
\$112,331.00

Valley Northeast (*Stimulus*)
Gr, Seed, Br, Gdrl
MCC, LLC
Veverka, Frank (402)727-3292
\$354,794.17

I-480 WB/US-75 SB Intchg. (*Stimulus*)
Gr, MSE, ConPav, Culv, Br,
Gdrl, Fence, Elec, Sign
Hawkins Construction Co.
Baehr, Dennis (402)595-2534
\$19,175,728.47

120th/W. Maple Rd., Omaha
Br
PCiRoads, LLC
Farivari, Mo (402)595-2534
\$147,419.17

108th St. - 120th St., Omaha
LS
Lanoha Nurseries, Inc.
Farivari, Mo (402)595-2534
\$468,974.00

Platteview Rd., N-31 - 180th St.
(*Stimulus*)
Bit
U.S. Asphalt Co.
Farivari, Mo (402)595-2534
\$716,678.01

Scribner Northeast (*Stimulus*)
Gr, Br, Gdrl
MCC, LLC
Trujillo, Ray (402)727-3292
\$539,346.80

Giles Rd., 107th St. - I-80,
LaVista (*Stimulus*)
Spec
Iowa Erosion Control, Inc.
Khalaf, Zahi (402)595-2534
\$1,223,210.49

Countywide Resurfacing,
Douglas Co. (*Stimulus*)
Bit
U.S. Asphalt Co.
Khalaf, Zahi (402)595-2534
\$1,601,310.56

Citywide Resurfacing,
Omaha (*Stimulus*)
Bit
U.S. Asphalt Co.
Khalaf, Zahi (402)595-2534
\$2,903,962.48

Bennington Northeast (*Stimulus*)
Gr, Br, Gdrl
Chas. Vrana & Son Constr. Co.
Khalaf, Zahi (402)595-2534
\$414,346.39

Citywide, Bellevue (*Stimulus*)
Bit
U.S. Asphalt Co.
Khalaf, Zahi (402)595-2534
\$1,173,136.63

Skyline Drive - Ramp 1
Culv
Tab Holding Company, Inc.,
dba Tab Construction
Weander, Marty (402)595-2534
\$48,828.70

La Platte Rd. Area (*Stimulus*)
Bit
U.S. Asphalt Co.
Weander, Marty (402)595-2534
\$998,177.77

15th St., Ave. "A" - Ave. "C",
Plattsmouth (*Stimulus*)
Bit
U.S. Asphalt Co.
Weander, Marty (402)595-2534
\$111,178.26

15th St., 1st Ave. - Main St.,
Plattsmouth (*Stimulus*)
ConPav
Omni Engineering, Inc.
& Subsidiaries
Weander, Marty (402)595-2534
\$64,192.56

Missouri River - 13th St.,
Omaha (*Stimulus*)
Gr, Soil, ConPav, Culv, LS,
Fence, Elec, Sign, Paint
Hawkins Construction Co.
Fisher, Rick (402)595-2534
\$16,068,401.72

Harvell Dr./Galvin Rd.,
Bellevue (*Stimulus*)
Elec
Watts Electric Company
Koloen, Jerry (402)595-2534
\$104,887.61

Harvell Dr./Ft. Crook Rd.,
Bellevue (*Stimulus*)
Elec
Commonwealth Electric Co.
of the Midwest
Koloen, Jerry (402)595-2534
\$104,184.84

108th/Chandler Rd., LaVista (*Stimulus*)
Elec
Commonwealth Electric Co.
of the Midwest
Koloen, Jerry (402)595-2534
\$29,703.40

Citywide, Papillion (*Stimulus*)
Bit
U.S. Asphalt Co.
Koloen, Jerry (402)595-2534
\$264,356.84

13th & 14th St., Omaha (*Stimulus*)
Elec
Commonwealth Electric Co.
of the Midwest
Koloen, Jerry (402)595-2534
\$221,672.68

15th & 16th St., Omaha (*Stimulus*)
Elec
Commonwealth Electric Co.
of the Midwest
Koloen, Jerry (402)595-2534
\$241,357.94

17th & 18th St., Omaha (*Stimulus*)
Elec
Commonwealth Electric Co.
of the Midwest
Koloen, Jerry (402)595-2534
\$294,656.03

156th St./Giles Rd.
ConPav, Elec
M.B.C. Construction Co., Inc.
Koloen, Jerry (402)595-2534
\$186,384.40

US-75, Deerfield - North 25th,
Blair (*Stimulus*)
ConPav, Culv, Elec
Luxa Construction Co., Inc.
Koloen, Jerry (402)595-2534
\$373,076.27

Melia Hill Maintenance Facility
Maint Fac
Upland Construction Co
Kuehner, Chris (402)595-2534
\$2,450,000.00

Blair Dana Trail (*Stimulus*)
ConPav
Tab Holding Company, Inc.,
dba Tab Construction
Kuehner, Chris (402)595-2534
\$356,786.42

I-480/18th St. On Ramp Bridge
Br
JMN Construction, Llc
Kuehner, Chris (402)595-2534
\$25,551.00

South Omaha Br., Main Br. Truss
Br
Jensen Construction Co.
Zelensky, Rich (402)595-2534
\$37,574,397.00

So. Omaha Br., Iowa Br. Approach
Br, Elec
Commercial Construction, Inc.
Zelensky, Rich (402)595-2534
\$13,204,975.78

So. Omaha Br., Iowa Grading
Gr, Culv, Seed, Fence, Elec, Bit
K & L Landscape & Constr., Inc.
Tsvid, Aleksandra (402)595-2534
\$3,499,546.34

So. Omaha Br., Iowa Hwy. Paving
Gr, ConPav, Culv, Seed, Gdrl, Elec
MFT Construction, Inc.
Tsvid, Aleksandra (402)595-2534
\$2,629,468.91

So. Omaha Br., Nebr. -
13th & Mo. Ave.
Gr, ConPav, Culv, Seed, LS, Elec
Hawkins Construction Company
Hinchev, Maurice (402)595-2534
\$5,262,446.49

So. Omaha Br., Nebr. Br. Approach
Gr, Br, Gdrl, Elec
Hawkins Construction Company
Hinchev, Maurice (402)595-2534
\$12,773,897.12

District 3

Lindsay South
Bit
Paulsen, Inc.
Robertson, Ramsy (402) 421-1717
\$4,232,071.59

N-35 North, Wayne
Spec
Sealcoat Services, Inc.
dba SCS Construction Co.
Francis, Jeff (402)375-7071
\$205,448.75

Hubbard North & South (*Stimulus*)
Gr, ConPav, Culv, Br, Gdrl
Hawkins Construction Co.
Francis, Jeff (402)375-7071
\$1,887,751.88

Winnebago East
Gr, ConPav, Culv, Elec
M.E. Collins Contracting Co., Inc.
Francis, Jeff (402)375-7071
\$3,254,303.67

Macy South (*Stimulus*)
Gr, ConPav, Culv, Seed, Br, Gdrl, Elec
Commercial Construction, Inc.
Francis, Jeff (402)375-7071
\$4,567,443.14

Wayne West
Bit
Knife River Midwest, LLC
Francis, Jeff (402)375-7071
\$2,060,548.61

N-35/N-15, Wayne
Elec
Integrated Electrical Services, Inc.
dba Kayton Electric
Mainquist, Bill (402)370-3470
\$13,564.50

In South Sioux City
Elec
Mid-Plains Power Inc.
Mainquist, Bill (402)370-3470
\$101,290.28

Bow Creek Bridge near Wynot
Br
A & R Construction Co.
Becker, Roger (402)254-6552
\$53,959.00

Columbus Viaduct
Gr, MSE, ConPav, Culv, Br, Elec
Cramer & Associates, Inc.
Anderson, David (402)564-5751
\$12,941,875.76

9th St., "B" - "C" St.,
Schuyler (*Stimulus*)
Bit
M.E. Collins Contracting Co., Inc.
Anderson, David (402)564-5751
\$371,678.39

Madison East Bridges (*Stimulus*)
Gr, Culv, Seed, Br, Gdrl, Bit
Hawkins Construction Company
Trosper, Steven (402)564-5751
\$3,537,088.30

Platte Co. Monastery Trail (*Stimulus*)
ConPav
M.E. Collins Contracting Co., Inc.
Trosper, Steven (402)564-5751
\$278,761.30

Concord North Bridge
Br
Christensen Bros., Inc.
Wiebelhaus, Bob (402)254-6552
\$127,998.00

East Jct. US-20 - N-12
Spec
Martin Resource Mgmt Corp.
dba Monarch Oil
Wiebelhaus, Bob (402)254-6552
\$439,813.59

Lyons North
Spec
Martin Resource Mgmt Corp.
dba Monarch Oil
Wiebelhaus, Bob (402)254-6552
\$584,731.63

US-20 - Missouri River
Gdrl, Bit
Knife River Midwest, LLC
Wiebelhaus, Bob (402)254-6552
\$3,601,283.03

Dakota Ave. 6th - 48th St.,
So. Sioux City (*Stimulus*)
Elec
Integrated Electrical Services, Inc.
dba Kayton Electric
Wiebelhaus, Bob (402)254-6552
\$145,931.80

Dakota Ave., 9th - 29th St.,
So. Sioux City (*Stimulus*)
Elec
Integrated Electrical Services, Inc.
dba Kayton Electric
Wiebelhaus, Bob (402)254-6552
\$876,731.60

Monroe Ave., Norfolk
Gr, ConPav, Culv, Elec
A & R Construction Co.
Samuelson, Matthew (402) 370-3470
\$683,743.43

Norfolk West
Gr, ConPav, Culv, Seed, Br, Gdrl, Elec
Werner Construction, Inc.
Schulz, Ron (402)370-3474
\$20,299,017.48

Royal - Plainview (*Stimulus*)
Bit
Constructors, Inc.
Lollman, Doug (402)370-3474
\$5,150,574.54

In Norfolk
Bit
Werner Construction, Inc.
Lollman, Doug (402)370-3474
\$2,521,640.64

District 4

Hastings West (*Stimulus*)
Gr, Seed, Br, Gdrl, Elec, Bit
Vontz Paving, Inc.
Kohmetscher, Lyle (402)462-1996
\$3,599,832.60

In Kearney (*Stimulus*)
Gr, ConPav, Culv, Elec
Paulsen, Inc.
Farber, Tom (308)865-5434
\$2,251,125.35

Odessa - Kearney (WB)
Gr, ConPav, Culv, Seed, Gdrl,
Fence, Elec
Knife River Midwest, LLC
Farber, Tom (308)865-5434
\$11,320,248.97

L63A North of Genoa
Bit
Paulsen, Inc.
Kwiatkowski, Rick (308)754-5411
\$471,862.04

Charleston Link
Gr, ConPav, Culv, Seed, Br, Gdrl
Werner Construction, Inc.
Grooms, Jerry (402)362-5934
\$3,715,517.77

Charleston Link Intchg.
Br, Gdrl, Bit
Commercial Construction, Inc.
Grooms, Jerry (402)362-5934
\$849,859.29

N-74 - Shelby (5 Segments)
Spec
Sealcoat Services, Inc.
dba SCS Construction Co.
Anderson, Tom (402)362-5934
\$382,264.00

York North
Gr, Culv, Br, Gdrl, Elec, Bit
Werner Construction, Inc.
Anderson, Tom (402)362-5934
\$3,983,089.46

Grand Island South (*Stimulus*)
Gr, Seed, Br, Gdrl, Elec, Bit
The Diamond Engineering Co.
Nordhues, Bob (308)385-6265
\$6,329,248.36

Cairo Downtown Improvements
(*Stimulus*)
LS
Truelsen Blumenthal, Llc
dba Soil-Tek
Heermann, Dennis (308)385-6888
\$187,860.40

Aurora - Central City
Gr, Culv, Seed, Gdrl, Elec, Bit
Werner Construction, Inc.
Weber, Kirk (308)385-6888
\$8,584,360.49

In Wolbach
Br
Wilke Contracting Corporation
Weber, Kirk (308)385-6888
\$421,597.31

Oak South (*Stimulus*)
Culv
M.E. Collins Contracting Co., Inc.
Weber, Kirk (308)385-6888
\$210,901.57

Juniata Southwest (*Stimulus*)
Gr, Br, Gdrl
Simon Contractors & Subsidiaries
Weber, Kirk (308)385-6888
\$383,252.73

Showboat Blvd., 7th - 12th St.,
Hastings (*Stimulus*)
Bit
Vontz Paving, Inc.
Weber, Kirk (308)385-6888
\$241,063.00

9th St., Burlington - Baltimore,
Hastings (*Stimulus*)
Bit
Werner Construction, Inc.
Weber, Kirk (308)385-6888
\$309,741.48

7th St., Baltimore - Oswego,
Hastings (*Stimulus*)
Bit
Werner Construction, Inc.
Weber, Kirk (308)385-6888
\$147,109.62

Baltimore Ave., 2nd - 12th St.,
Hastings (*Stimulus*)
Bit
Vontz Paving, Inc.
Weber, Kirk (308)385-6888
\$568,725.69

Geneva East (*Stimulus*)
Gr, Culv
TCW Construction, Inc.
Weber, Kirk (308)385-6888
\$339,480.28

Ord - Burwell
Gr, Culv, Seed, Elec, Bit
Werner Construction, Inc.
Woodgate, Gerald (308)754-5411
\$8,121,354.49

Middle Loup Br., Arcadia (*Stimulus*)
Gr, Br, Gdrl
Simon Contractors & Subsidiaries
Woodgate, Gerald (308)754-5411
\$1,667,006.59

US-281, Via. Approach, Grand Island
Gr, ConPav, Br
The Diamond Engineering Co.
Woodgate, Gerald (308)754-5411
\$432,215.12

Wood River-Grand Island (*Stimulus*)
Gdrl, Bit
Vontz Paving, Inc.
Gripenstroh, Scott (308)385-6888
\$5,145,542.96

Minden - Wood River
Spec
Interstate Sealant & Concrete, Inc.
Gripenstroh, Scott (308)385-6888
\$259,000.14

Pleasanton South (*Stimulus*)
Bit
Vontz Paving, Inc.
Schmidt, Larry (308)385-6888
\$1,300,914.34

Wood River Interchange
Br
Simon Contractors & Subsidiaries
Schmidt, Larry (308)385-6888
\$78,895.53

Edgar Spur (*Stimulus*)
Gr, Culv, Elec, Bit
Vontz Paving, Inc.
Meyer, Steve (402)462-1996
\$1,735,839.29

Ruskin East & West
Bit
Vontz Paving, Inc.
Meyer, Steve (402)462-1996
\$3,262,707.26

District 5

Chappell - Oshkosh (*Stimulus*)
Bit
Western Engineering Co., Inc.
Frickey, Russ (308)262-1929
\$6,773,436.78

Alliance Northwest
Bit
Werner Construction, Inc.
Frickey, Russ (308)262-1929
\$2,840,578.84

Morrill/Banner Co. Line East
Spec
Dustrol, Inc.
Frickey, Russ (308)262-1929
\$1,431,333.15

Chadron East & West
Gdrl, Bit
U.S. Asphalt Co.
Carnahan, Brian (308)432-6144
\$4,401,052.24

Whitney Spur Bridge
Br
Reiman Corp. & Subsidiary
Carnahan, Brian (308)432-6144
\$147,011.40

Chadron South Bridges
Br
Fuller Construction Co., Inc.
Carnahan, Brian (308)432-6144
\$192,828.61

Box Butte/Dawes Co. Line North
Seed, Br, Gdrl, Bit
Werner Construction, Inc.
Carnahan, Brian (308)432-6144
\$3,269,399.36

Scottsbluff Northwest Viaduct
Gr, ConPav, Culv, Seed,
Br, Gdrl, Elec
Perrett Construction, Ltd.
Rhamy, Wayne (308)436-6587
\$6,959,605.07

Wyoming Line East
Culv
Simon Contractors & Subsidiaries
Rhamy, Wayne (308)436-6587
\$51,400.47

I-80 to North of Kimball
Gr, MSE, Culv, Seed, Br
Commercial Construction, Inc.
Johnson, James (308)436-6587
\$12,243,690.00

Dist. 5 - Districtwide
Spec
Iowa Erosion Control, Inc.
Jacobs, Maryanne (308)436-6587
\$974,001.68

East Kimball - Potter (EB)
Bit
Werner Construction Co.
Jacobs, Maryanne (308)436-6587
\$2,974,263.00

Harrisburg Northwest (*Stimulus*)
Bit
Werner Construction, Inc.
Jacobs, Maryanne (308)436-6587
\$945,144.57

Ave. "B", S. Beltline - W. Overland,
Scottsbluff (*Stimulus*)
Gr, ConPav
Simon Contractors & Subsidiaries
Jacobs, Maryanne (308)436-6587
\$760,650.71

"D" St., Rundell - Lockwood,
Gering (*Stimulus*)
Gr, ConPav, Culv
Simon Contractors & Subsidiaries
Jacobs, Maryanne (308)436-6587
\$349,408.09

Auto. Gate Closure Proj. - Rural
Elec.
Mid-Plains Power Inc.
Thomsen, Toby (308)535-8033
\$184,787.45

District 6

Buffalo Bill Ave. Extension
Gr, Br, Culv
Commercial Construction, Inc.
Stark, Thad (308)535-6724
\$12,081,916.94

Big Springs West (*Stimulus*)
Br, Gdrl, Bit
Simon Contractors & Subsidiaries
Morrell, Richard (308)535-8033
\$3,985,400.46

Ogallala West Bypass
Bit
Paulsen, Inc.
Morrell, Richard (308)535-8033
\$872,528.46

Lewellen - Ogallala
Gr, Bit
Paulsen, Inc.
Morrell, Richard (308)535-8033
\$2,756,126.59

Ogallala West
Gr, Seed, Elec, Bit
Paulsen, Inc.
Morrell, Richard (308)535-8033
\$3,086,661.01

State Farm Rd. North, North Platte
Gr, ConPav, Culv, Br, Elec
Cement Products, Inc.
Morrell, Richard (308)535-8033
\$3,576,209.38

Halsey North (*Stimulus*)
Bit
Werner Construction, Inc.
Nichols, Jason (308)535-8031
\$959,764.60

Lake Maloney South
Bit
Western Engineering Co., Inc.
Thomsen, Toby (308)535-8033
\$2,535,391.18

Thedford Viaduct (*Stimulus*)
Gr, MSE, ConPav, Culv, Br,
Gdrl, Elec
Ames Construction, Inc.
Thomsen, Toby (308)535-8033
\$6,954,805.22

Thedford South
Gr, Bit
Werner Construction, Inc.
Thomsen, Toby (308)535-8033
\$4,627,371.44

North Platte West (*Stimulus*)
Spec
Iowa Erosion Control, Inc.
Thomsen, Toby (308)535-8033
\$1,692,944.57

Brule - Ogallala (*Stimulus*)
Gdrl, Bit
Paulsen, Inc.
Sawyer, Harlan (308)535-8033
\$4,045,012.53

Ogallala - Roscoe (*Stimulus*)
Bit
Paulsen, Inc.
Sawyer, Harlan (308)535-8033
\$3,390,994.77

Lexington North
Bit
Paulsen, Inc.
Brinker, Gary (308)535-8033
\$590,542.54

Darr Interchange (*Stimulus*)
Br, Gdrl, Bit
Paulsen, Inc.
Brinker, Gary (308)535-8033
\$1,039,544.87

Cozad Interchange
Gr, MSE, ConPav, Br, Gdrl, Elec
Paulsen, Inc.
Brinker, Gary (308)535-8033
\$4,595,440.50

Monroe St. to I-80, Cozad
Gr, ConPav, Culv
Paulsen, Inc.
Brinker, Gary (308)535-8033
\$486,731.45

Lexington - Overton (*Stimulus*)
Seed, Gdrl, Bit
Werner Construction, Inc.
Brinker, Gary (308)535-8033
\$6,491,623.68

Thedford - Seneca
Bit
Werner Construction, Inc.
Lewandowski, Daniel (308)872-6735
\$1,176,313.69

Ashby - Hyannis
Gr, Culv, Elec, Bit
Simon Contractors & Subsidiaries
Lewandowski, Daniel (308)872-6735
\$3,809,008.96

Broken Bow East
Seed, Gdrl, Bit
Paulsen, Inc.
Lewandowski, Daniel (308)872-6735
\$4,595,759.73

Halsey Spur
Bit
Hall Brothers Recycling
& Reclamation, Inc.
Lewandowski, Daniel (308)872-6735
\$681,903.80

District 7

Loomis - Holdrege (*Stimulus*)
Gr, Culv, Gdrl, Elec, Bit
Werner Construction, Inc.
Kuhn, Kenton (308)995-5397
\$2,518,943.51

McCook South
Bit
Paulsen, Inc.
Collins, Duane (308)345-8490
\$2,069,429.51

Kansas Line - N-89
Spec
Martin Resource Mgmt. Corp.
dba Monarch Oil
Ziebell, Roger (308)345-8490
\$493,285.46

Stockville Southeast (*Stimulus*)
Br, Bit
Werner Construction, Inc.
Ziebell, Roger (308)345-8490
\$801,348.72

District 7 - Districtwide
Spec
Vogel Traffic Services, Inc.
Ziebell, Roger (308)345-8490
\$578,943.25

Axtell Mosaic Rec. Area Trail
(*Stimulus*)
ConPav
Howrey Construction, Inc.
Sell, Tim (308)995-5397
\$177,600.02

Holdrege - Funk
Bit
Paulsen, Inc.
Dietz, Mark (308)995-5397
\$2,298,753.76

Funk Northwest (*Stimulus*)
Culv
Van Kirk Sand & Gravel, Inc.
Dietz, Mark (308)995-5397
\$104,753.47

Naponee East (*Stimulus*)
Culv
TCW Construction, Inc.
Dietz, Mark (308)995-5397
\$64,208.94

District 8

O'Neill East (*Stimulus*)
Culv
A & R Construction Co.
Robertson, Ramsy (402) 421-1717
\$180,675.40

O'Neill East (*Stimulus*)
Bit
Werner Construction, Inc.
Colfack, Gene (402)336-2051
\$1,423,134.29

O'Neill - Spencer
Bit
Knife River Midwest, LLC
Colfack, Gene (402)336-2051
\$1,882,591.68

Springview Northwest (*Stimulus*)
Bit
Werner Construction, Inc.
Colfack, Gene (402)336-2051
\$821,968.72

Ainsworth East
Bit
Western Engineering Co., Inc.
Rudnick, Michael (402)387-2471
\$2,142,502.20

North of Thomas/Cherry Co. Line
North (*Stimulus*)
Bit
Werner Construction, Inc.
Gustafson, Jay (402)376-1352
\$3,348,777.57

O'Neill South (*Stimulus*)
Gdrl, Bit
Werner Construction, Inc.
Ziska, Dan (402)336-2051
\$2,215,667.93

Chambers Jct. North
Gr, Culv, Br, Gdrl, Elec, Bit
Knife River Midwest, LLC
Ziska, Dan (402)336-2051
\$6,898,555.05



You have the Power to Donate Life

By Carol Marshall, RN



April is Organ Donation Awareness Month. On average, 18 people die each day from the lack of available organs for transplant. Organ, eye and tissue transplants offer patients a new chance at healthy, productive and normal lives.

Last year more than 8,000 deceased donors made possible more than 22,000 organ transplants. In addition, there were nearly 7,000 transplants from living donors. There are also 30,000 tissue donors and 40,000 cornea donors annually, providing more than one million tissue and cornea transplants. More than 100,000 men, women and children currently await lifesaving organ transplants. Transplantation is one of the most remarkable success stories in the history of medicine and **YOU** have the power to be an organ or tissue donor.

As a donor, you can save and enhance the lives of more than 75 people. Donated organs include heart, intestines, kidneys, liver, lungs and pancreas. Donated tissues include bones, corneas, heart valves, skin, tendons and veins. Organs are distributed based upon medical information, including blood type, body size and tissue matching through a national computer network operated by the United Network for Organ Sharing (UNOS). Tissue is distributed based on patient need, availability and medical criteria.

People of all ages and medical histories should consider themselves potential donors. Your willingness to donate will not interfere with your medical care. Organ, eye and tissue donation only becomes an option after all lifesaving efforts have been made. Your medical condition at the time of death will determine what organs and tissue can be donated. Consent for donation

is confirmed and your family is asked to participate in the process by providing medical history. If you have documented your decision to donate, your wishes can be honored without requiring additional family consent (except for minors). However, it is important to tell family members that you have decided to become a donor so that they will help support it. There is no cost to the donor's family or estate for organ or tissue donation.

Essential Steps

According to research, 98 percent of all adults have heard about organ donation and 86 percent have heard of tissue donation. Ninety percent of Americans say they support donation, but only 30 percent know the essential steps to take to be a donor. In Nebraska you can become an organ, eye, and tissue donor in one of three ways:

- 1) By signing up on the Nebraska Donor Registry at www.nedonation.org.
- 2) By consenting to become an organ, eye and tissue donor at the Department of Motor Vehicles when applying for or renewing your driver's license or state identification card.
- 3) By signing an organ donor card.

It is also possible to donate life to others as a living kidney or partial liver, lung, intestine or pancreas donor. Contact the Nebraska Donor Registry if this is something you would like to consider.

If you are not an organ, tissue or eye donor, now is the time to consider doing so. Family members of organ and tissue donors often find solace and comfort in knowing that something good came out of their tragic loss. Recipients of organs, eyes and tissues have a new chance at healthy, productive and normal lives. This would not be possible without someone like you giving the gift of life.

Correspondents Keep Pulse on News

Twenty-seven individuals perform the role of tracking newsworthy activities of over 2,200 NDOR employees. They gather news for the *Roadrunner's All in the Family* section, including births, deaths, weddings, and graduations along with other newsworthy items. Please support your correspondents in their efforts to provide timely, accurate information.

Bridge.....	Lori Larson
Business Tech Support.....	Trish Sanchez
Communication.....	Linda Wilson
Construction.....	Agnes Masek
Controller.....	Brenda Hain
Director's Office.....	Verneda Kelly
Human Resources.....	Diane Holthus
Legal.....	Twila Avey
Local Projects.....	Cindy Bell
Materials & Research.....	Barb Traudt
Operations.....	Liz Salisbury
Planning & Project Development.....	Sandra Knippelmeyer
	Linda Langdale

Program Management.....	June Rost
Rail & Pubic Transportation.....	Charlie Bowlby
Right-of-Way.....	Jan Berryman
Roadway Design.....	Sandra Schuelke
Traffic Engineering.....	Bobbi Olson
Hwy. Safety Section.....	Ardelle Boardman
District 1.....	Linda Piening
District 2.....	Connie Diblasi
District 3.....	Judy Schoenfeldt
District 4.....	Esther Shepherd
District 5.....	Cindy Vergil
District 6.....	Carrie Klock
District 7.....	Jan Collins
District 8.....	Erin Allen

WELLNESS

Jim McGee

Highway Program Administrator



In the fall of 2008, Jim was diagnosed with prostate cancer and had surgery just before Christmas. He wasn't experiencing any health problems at the time. He was simply undergoing a routine physical exam when the cancer was detected.

Jim had always been health conscious and had routine health screenings for colon cancer and prostate cancer. A screening 10 years ago resulted in early detection of colon cancer, which was successfully treated.

Since his prostate cancer surgery, Jim has had help and support from a physical therapist and surgeon. He has some common post operative problems that will be addressed in another surgery, but he feels it is a fair swap—He doesn't have cancer and he will be okay.

The support of Jim's family and friends has been amazing, especially in the weeks following his surgery. His wife, a home health care nurse, and daughter, a physician, have helped a great deal, as well as his son, a graduate student at UNO.

Jim hasn't really made any big lifestyle changes, but continues the health habits he has followed for many years. He walks at least a mile each day and is very conscientious about his weight. He also believes that a positive attitude is important.

Since men are generally less talkative about health issues and might be hesitant to think about their health until there are symptoms, Jim urges wives and others to encourage them to take advantage of health screening for colon and prostate cancers. Screening provides a chance for intervention before these cancers become dangerous.

Jim's advice... "I can't say enough about the value of screening. Without screening, I'd be walking around unaware that I had cancer. About one in six men will develop prostate cancer. There's no need for anybody to die from either prostate or colon cancer. Screening can add years to a life."



All in the Family

Information for "All in the Family" should be sent to the Communication Division. Appropriate information will be included in future Roadrunners.

Please note: Birth announcements will be published as long as written permission is received by the Communication Division. This is necessary, as NDOR is required to adhere to privacy laws under the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA).

Condolences

Condolences to Jan and Shawn Voss on the death of her mother-in-law. Jan is a Statistical Analyst I in Traffic Engineering, Highway Safety/Accident Records.

Condolences to family, friends and co-workers on the death of Allen Donahey. Allen was a Hwy. Project Manager at District 6 in North Platte.

Condolences to Sally Larsen on the death of her father. Sally is a Staff Assistant I at District 8 in Valentine.

Condolences to Jason Lehn on the death of his great-grandfather. Jason is an Engineer II at District 8 in Ainsworth.

Births

Congratulations to Nadine and Daniel VonSeggern on the birth of their great-grandchildren: Emma Clair, born January 6; Jackson Winthrope, born February 4; and Demetrie Skye, born February 25. Nadine is a Statistical Clerk II in Traffic Engineering, Hwy. Safety/Accident Records.

Congratulations to Tasha and Nick Dahlberg on the birth of their son, Teaghan Joba, born December 15. Tasha is a Statistical Clerk II in Traffic Engineering, Hwy. Safety/Accident Records.

Congratulations to Joe and Jasmine Dondlinger on the birth of their son, Felix Joseph, born February 5. Jasmine is Hwy. Chemical Tests Manager of the Chemistry Lab in Materials & Research.

Congratulations to Jeremy and Michelle Weigel on the birth of their daughter, Taryn Michelle, born February 18. Jeremy is a Hwy. Materials & Tests Technician in Materials & Research and Michelle is a IT/BSA Coordinator in Construction. Grandmother is Ronda Lewis, IT Infrastructure Support Analyst/Senior at District 6 in North Platte.

Congratulations to Clover Wheeldon and John Campbell on the birth of their daughter, Harley Jean, born February 12. Clover was previously employed in Construction. Grandparents are Bill and Deb Swanson. Bill is a Construction Technician at District 1 and Deb is a Materials & Tests Technician in Materials & Research.

Congratulations to Terry and Kelly Everhart on the birth of their daughter, Katelyn Elizabeth, born March 19. Terry is an Auto/Diesel Mechanic at the District 4 Red Cloud/Superior Shop.

Congratulations to Russ and Dianna Frickey on the birth of their grandchildren, Lillian Leigh, born February 13, and Chase Donovan, born February 18. Russ is a Project Manager at District 5 in Bridgeport.

Congratulations to JR (Billy) and Kayla Kelly on the birth of their son, Preston, born February 3. JR is a Hwy. Maintenance Worker Sr. at District 8 in Valentine.

This 'n That

Planning & Project Development sends best wishes to Ron Schlautman on his retirement from NDOR after 34 years of service.

Controller welcomes new employee, Rita Shaw, Auditor, to their division.

Traffic Engineering would like to congratulate Dave Peterson on being named to the Presidential Who's Who Among Business and Professional Achievers. Dave is a Traffic Analyst Engineer.

Wyconda Walstrom graduated in January from Lincoln Southwest High School in the top 7% of her class. She is a National Merit Scholarship Finalist and has been awarded a Chancellor's Scholarship to attend the University of Nebraska in Lincoln. Wyconda is the daughter of Michael Mattison, Maintenance Engineer in Operations.

Congratulations to Chuck Hoster for attaining "Life Master" status in competitive bridge at the National Tournament in Reno, Nevada. He and his partner placed 43rd in the North American Pairs. Chuck is a Statistical Analyst II in Traffic Engineering, Hwy. Safety/Accident Records.

Congratulations to Michael Harring, son of Joyce Harring in Controller and Jon Harring in Bridge who graduated from Southeast Community College on March 19. Daughter Christy will graduate from UNL on May 8, and will attend Nursing School at UNL.

Scott Davis, a 6th grader, competed with the Grand Island wrestling team April 9-11 in Des Moines, Iowa. Scott is the son of Carla Davis, Staff Assistant at District 6 in Broken Bow.

Congratulations to Nathaniel Allen on winning a 4th place medal in the State Wrestling Tournament. Nathaniel is the son of Terry and Erin Allen. Erin is the Administrative Assistant at District 8 in Ainsworth.

Baillie Hoover, Ainsworth High School's Homecoming Queen, competed in Nebraska's 30th Annual Homecoming Queen Scholarship Pageant in Des Moines, Iowa on March 6 & 7. Baillie was chosen as 2nd runner-up. Baillie is the daughter of JD and Susan Hoover. JD is a Hwy. Maintenance Worker and Susan is a Staff Assistant at District 8 in Ainsworth.

Service Awards

Congratulations to these dedicated individuals for their work and continued service with the Department of Roads. They celebrate their service dates in *April and May*.

40 Years

Gerald Barnum Jr., District 6
Michael Baye, District 2
Leonard Sand, Planning & Proj. Dev.
Gregory Swim, Construction

30 Years

Kimberly Colgrove, Traffic
Mohammad Farivari, District 2
Barbara Martin, Traffic
George McDowell, District 1
Gary Miner, District 7
Kendall Tonjes, Program Management
Daniel Ziska, District 8

20 Years

Scott Clinger, District 5
Gerald Handy, District 2
Timothy Lentz, Right-of-Way
Jon Leonhardt, District 5
Omar Qudus, Materials & Research
James Rademacher, District 4
Ylario Ramos, District 5
Gary Schlecht, District 3
Sandra Schuelke, Roadway Design
Carol Seiler, District 6
Darryl Steinwart, District 5
Janice Voss, Traffic

10 Years

Brett Araujo, District 6
Casey Cherington, District 3
Jerry Fritz, District 3
Ted Gillham, District 4
James Haag, District 6
Robert Hinrichs, District 1
Ronald Johns, District 2
Timothy Kohl, District 3
Clifford Leach, District 2
Mark Lorenz, ROW
Brandon Remm, District 3
David Tramp, District 3

Thanks to Allen Donahey's co-workers at NDOR for their many acts of kindness and generosity during his illness. Allen enjoyed his work and talked highly of his co-workers.

Becky Donahey

NDOR Events Calendar

— April —

- 2 Bd. Examiners for Co. Hwy. & City St. Supts.**
Meeting 8:45 a.m., Hwy. Commission Meeting Rm.
Examination 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. NDOR Auditorium
Contact LeMoyne Schulz @ 479-4436
- 6 New Employee Orientation Program**
Rm. 152, 5001 S. 14th (the "Hill")
Contact DeWayne Morrow @ 476-3678
- 8 Letting**
1:30 p.m., NDOR Auditorium
Contact Kendall Stege @ 479-4528
- 14 RoadToasters**
12:00 p.m.-1:00 p.m., Hwy. Commission Meeting Rm.
Contact Glenn Williams @ 479-3628
- 16 Bd. Public Roads Class. & Stds.**
9:00 a.m., NDOR Auditorium
Contact LeMoyne Schulz @ 479-4436
- 17-24 Great Nebraska Trash-Off**
www.nebraskatransportation.org/operations/maintenance/adopt.htm
- 4/19-5/14 Open Enrollment**
Contact Diane Holthus @ 479-4580
- 19-25 National Work Zone Awareness Week**
www.workzonesafety.org/news_events/awareness_week/2010
- 21 Nebraska Spring Walk to School Day**
www.saferoutesne.com
- 22 Earth Day**
- 23 Hwy. Commission Meeting**
8:30 a.m., Hwy. Commission Meeting Rm.
Contact Greg Weinert @ 479-4871
- 28 RoadToasters**
12:00 p.m.-1:00 p.m., Hwy. Commission Meeting Rm.
Contact Glenn Williams @ 479-3628
- 30 State Holiday – Arbor Day**

— May —

Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month

- 4 Blood Drive – Community Blood Bank**
NDOR Central Headquarters
Contact Diane Holthus @ 479-4580
- 4 New Employee Orientation Program**
Rm. 152, 5001 S. 14th (the "Hill")
Contact DeWayne Morrow @ 476-3678
- 4-6 Operations & Maintenance Conference**
- 7 Bd. Examiners for Co. Hwy. & City St. Supts.**
10:00 a.m., NDOR Hwy. Commission Meeting Rm.
Contact LeMoyne Schulz @ 479-4436
- 12 RoadToasters**
12:00 p.m.-1:00 p.m., Hwy. Commission Meeting Rm.
Contact Glenn Williams @ 479-3628

- 13 Letting**
1:30 p.m., NDOR Auditorium
Contact Kendall Stege @ 479-4528
- 16-22 National Transportation Week**
- 17-21 National Bike-to-Work Week**
www.bikeleague.org
- 21 Bd. Public Roads Class. & Stds.**
9:00 a.m., NDOR Auditorium
Contact LeMoyne Schulz @ 479-4436
- 21 Hwy. Commission Dist. 3 Travel/Program Meeting**
10:00 a.m., Norfolk, Northeast Community College
Contact Greg Weinert @ 479-4871
- 5/24-6/6 National "Click It or Ticket" Mobilization**
- 26 RoadToasters**
12:00 p.m.-1:00 p.m., Hwy. Commission Meeting Rm.
Contact Glenn Williams @ 479-3628
- 5/29-6/6 Nebraska Wildflower Week**
<http://arboretum.unl.edu/wildflower/index.html>
- 31 State Holiday – Memorial Day**

— June —

National Safety Month

www.nsc.org/nsc_events/Nat_Safe_Month/Pages/home.aspx

- 5 National Trails Day**
www.americanhiking.org/NTD.aspx
- 8 New Employee Orientation Program**
Rm. 152, 5001 S. 14th (the "Hill")
Contact DeWayne Morrow @ 476-3678
- 9 RoadToasters**
12:00 p.m.-1:00 p.m., Hwy. Commission Meeting Rm.
Contact Glenn Williams @ 479-3628
- 17 Letting**
1:30 p.m., NDOR Auditorium
Contact Kendall Stege @ 479-4528
- 18 Bd. Public Roads Class. & Stds.**
9:00 a.m., NDOR Auditorium
Contact LeMoyne Schulz @ 479-4436
- 23 RoadToasters**
12:00 p.m.-1:00 p.m., Hwy. Commission Meeting Rm.
Contact Glenn Williams @ 479-3628
- 25 Hwy. Commission Dist. 5 Travel/Program Meeting**
10:00 a.m., Gering, District Five Headquarters
Contact Greg Weinert @ 479-4871
- 29 Blood Drive – Community Blood Bank**
NDOR Central Headquarters
Contact Diane Holthus @ 479-4580

If you would like a key event included on upcoming calendars, call the Communication Office 479-4512 or e-mail linda.wilson@nebraska.gov. Information for the June/July Roadrunner should be received by May 21, 2010.